

Cave Hill Cemetery,  
Rustic Shelter House  
Louisville  
Jefferson County  
Kentucky

HABS No. KY-123

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STATE Kentucky	COUNTY Jefferson	TOWN OR VICINITY Louisville
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) CAVE HILL CEMETERY, RUSTIC SHELTER HOUSE		HABS NO. KY-123
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE RUSTIC WAITING HOUSE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) Cave Hill Cemetery		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1849	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Possibly by Drach and Thomas	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) The design of the structure was based on Cottage Orne, a rustic cottage popularized in France by Richard Mique during Marie Antoinette's time. It was used as a favorite picnic spot during pre-Civil War days.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Frame construction on stone foundation. Bark is used as an exterior wall covering.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) The square house measures 16'-3/4" x 18'-4 1/2" and is one-story high with a 13'-5" x 15'-5" dirt-floored basement.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE The small frame structure resembles a camp because of its bark walls. The front facade has a roofed porch with log columns and Eastlake-like limbs. A hipped roof shelters the structure. One stone chimney is at the rear of the structure.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES The roof was replaced in the 1880s.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Used as an office for many years, the structure is now used as a maintenance facility.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) National Register of Historic Places. Nomination Forms, 1979. Arbogast, David. HABS historical and descriptive architectural data, 1974.		
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